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Revenue Deficit of Andhra Pradesh
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the revenue deficit of Andhra Pradesh during 2014-16;

(b) whether the Union Government has so far released just Rs. 2300 crore under its revenue deficit account and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the remaining amount is likely to be released to Andhra Pradesh and reasons for delay in releasing the amount?

Answer

(a) to (b): The Accountant General (Accounts & Entitlement), AP and Telangana, after taking into account release of special assistance amounting to Rs.2,303 crore to Government of Andhra Pradesh (GoAP) during 2014-15 for the resource gap, has arrived at Revenue Deficit of Rs.13,775.76 crore for the year 2014-15 (2nd June, 2014 to 31st March, 2015). The Union Government has made a further release of special assistance of Rs.500 crore during 2015-16 to GoAP on this account. In addition, Andhra Pradesh being adjudged revenue deficit State by 14th Finance Commission (FFC) for the period 2015-20, grants-in-aid of Rs.6,609 crore recommended by FFC for the year 2015-16 under this head has been released to the State.

(c): The Accountant General (A&E), AP and Telangana has indicated that the new State of Andhra Pradesh had incurred expenditure on certain new schemes introduced by the State government during the reference period. This needs to be ascertained in order to arrive at actual revenue deficit figures. The State Government has been asked to provide details as further release to the State under this head will be concomitant to identification of such new schemes.

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